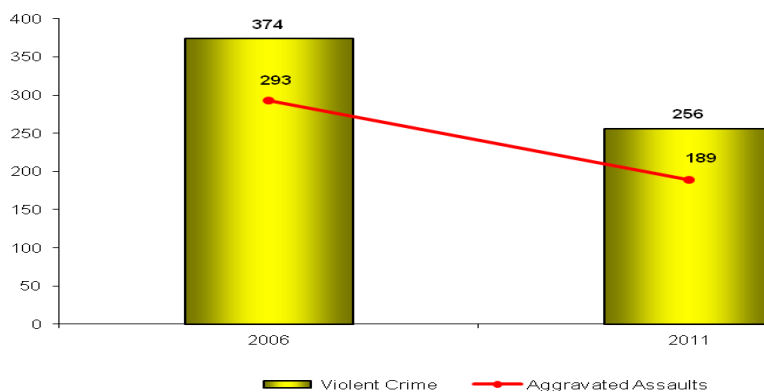


Carroll County

Working to reduce violent crime in Maryland

Governor O'Malley's primary concern for the State of Maryland is to provide safety for its citizens. To date, Maryland has the lowest homicide and violent crime rates ever reported in the state. However, the real story can be told at the local level where the difficult work of addressing violent crime and supporting victims is done every day. Over the last 5 years, through unprecedented federal, state, and local law enforcement collaboration, Carroll County has seen a significant 11.6% reduction in total crime, a 31.6% reduction in violent crime, and an 8.8% reduction in property crime. In addition, there have been significant reductions in robberies (-28.6%), aggravated assaults (-35.5%), and motor vehicle thefts (-26.0%) as well as reductions in breaking & entering (-8.0%) and larceny/thefts (-7.9%).

Carroll County Violent Crime Trends 2006 - 2011



CARROLL COUNTY MAKES AN IMPACT:

Now more than ever before, crime reduction depends on federal, state, and local collaboration. Real-time information sharing, more effective crime analysis, new technology, the strategic targeting of violent offenders, and improved community resources all contributed to Carroll County's success.

Governor O'Malley's Office of Crime Control and Prevention is currently funding 23 grants in Carroll County totaling \$1,116,161. As a result, Carroll County has been able to implement successful crime fighting strategies such as:

Domestic Violence Prosecution - The Carroll County State's Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Prosecution Unit addresses the challenge of prosecuting domestic violence crimes. This specialized unit, including a Prosecutor, Investigator, and Victim Coordinator, aggressively prosecutes domestic violence cases. They shift the focus of domestic violence from victim responsibility for prosecution to offender accountability. The Domestic Violence Unit has succeeded in holding batterers accountable through the implementation of the pro-prosecution, evidence-based prosecution, and victimless prosecution models.

Key Initiatives

- Heightened Supervision of Violent Offenders
- CompStat on Demand
- Crime Analysis
- Crime Mapping
- Law Enforcement Technology
- Adult Drug Court
- Adventure Diversion Program
- Domestic Violence Crisis & Support Services
- Domestic Violence Prosecution
- Rape Crisis Intervention Services
- Sex Offender Monitoring

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- **Domestic Violence Crisis & Support Services** — The Family & Children Services (FCS) of Central Maryland provides a 24 hour hotline, information and referral services, emergency and temporary shelter, crisis and long term counseling, legal advocacy, and abuser intervention services for domestic violence victims.

The FCS also collaborates with the Westminster Police Department on the First Step Project which provides crisis intervention and support services for domestic violence victims. A police officer and victim advocate team provide follow-up investigation and resource linkage 48 hours after a police report of a 911 call for a domestic assault. The goal is to prevent further violence, link victims to services, make additional arrests when appropriate, assist victims in obtaining protection through the courts, and provide crisis counseling to victims.

The FCS also provides crisis therapy, and ongoing, individual, family, and group treatment for children who are victims of physical or sexual abuse or neglect.

- **Adventure Diversion Program** — The Carroll County Youth Services Bureau's Adventure Diversion Program (ADP) targets juvenile justice system youth who are on probation and at-risk of out-of-home placement. The program provides an Evening Reporting Center for male and female juveniles while holding them accountable for violating probation and becoming at-risk of detention.
- **Adult Drug Court** — The Carroll County Board of Commissioners Adult Drug Court project promotes the recovery efforts of its participants providing supportive services and promoting accountability through drug testing. The project assists drug court participants, including those who are leaving jail or are homeless, while securing essential services to assist in their recovery.



"All Sheriff's Office personnel strive to enhance the quality of life through community partnerships that promote a secure environment. The Office fosters public trust by sustaining the highest standards of performance and ethics. Service is provided in a fair and impartial manner while incorporating the highest standards of personal conduct and performance. This service to our community is enhanced by partnerships and collaboration with other agencies. This shared effort and shared resources give us greater effectiveness in dealing with community and regional challenges."

Sheriff Kenneth
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